--- 1/4th Pound - Red - “Series of 1897” - 287 x 20 mm. ---

--- Recess printed by *hand press on horizontal mesh* wove - *without control numbers* - scanned at 55% scale ---

--- *coarse roulette* - 23 mm. imprint “AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA” **---**

The catalogue lists the “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/4th pound red strip as follows:

RP-685 - 1/4th pound, red, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, 290 x 20 mm, with 4½ mm. blue controls

The control numbering was a repeating cycle from **000001** to **9999999**. Thus, maintaining a consecutive control listing serves only to provide a measure of the relative scarcity of a particular strip. There is no way to tell if, and how many times ABN repeated the control numbering cycle. Extant unused strips are mainly late date *remnants* which became available when the strips were declared to be obsolete.

These ***control-free*** strips measure 287 x 20 mm and are printed on a finer grade of wove paper with a distinct *horizontal mesh.* They were printed by *hand press*.

RP-685n - 1/4th pound, red, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, without control numbering - ***two copies***

RP-685n - 1/4th pound, red, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, without control numbering
Stamped **CANCELLED** and **Registered** in violet ink

RP-685n - 1/4th pound, red, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, without control numbering
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO** / **A-20** in violet ink, by the tobacco merchant “C. Bates & Sons”, Ottawa

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--- 1/4th Pound - Red - “Series of 1897” - 290 x 20 mm. ---

--- Recess printed by *rotary press on horizontal mesh* wove - *with 4½ mm blue control numbers* - scanned at 55% scale ---

--- *coarse roulette* - 23 mm. imprint “AMERICAN BANK NOTE CO. OTTAWA” **---**

The catalogue lists this “Series of 1897” recess printed 1/4th pound red strip as follows:

RP-685 - 1/4th pound, red, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal* mesh wove, 290 x 20 mm, with 4½ mm. blue controls

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RP-685 - 1/4th pound, red, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, control number **009447**,
Roller cancelled **TOBACCO / 6 - 8** by “Rock City Tobacco”, Quebec City,

000447★	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove, roller cancelled **TOBACCO/ 6-8**
009447★	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove

RP-685 - 1/4th pound, red, *coarse roulette*, on *horizontal mesh* wove, control number **130322** - 290 x 20 mm

130036	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130124	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130188★	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130221	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130252	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130261	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130266★	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130293	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130313	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130316	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove - Plate No. 4
130318	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130413	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130322★	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove
130431	RP-685	1/4th pound, red, coarse roulette, on *horizontal mesh* wove

The strips in the lower block are remnant strips, often found on eBay.

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